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Gardner Reviews Legislative Efforts During 2017 General Assembly Session

FREDERICK, MD – County Executive Jan Gardner today reviewed the county's legislative efforts during the 2017 General Assembly session that concluded on April 11. The county was engaged in issues related to school construction, transportation, jobs, budget security and many others.

"We were active on many issues in Annapolis that impact our citizens," said Executive Gardner. "The benefits of Charter Government were evident, as we had a place at the legislative table on important matters that had cost implications for Frederick County. I want to thank the Office of Economic Development, Frederick Chamber of Commerce, and many elected officials and individuals who took the time to support issues of importance to Frederick County."

Legislative efforts she highlighted included:

- **Restoring the county's share of State Highway User revenues** (money residents pay at the gas pump) to apply to local road maintenance, capital improvements and snow removal.
- **Advancing the I-270 project** to address the most congested roadway in Maryland that also serves as an economic corridor for the county and region.
- **Advocating for school construction funding** to help keep pace with enrollment growth and other educational needs.
- **Supporting jobs and a level playing field for the craft brewery industry** so the same rules apply for Frederick County as other counties with regard to on-premise production and sales.
- **Opposing budget proposals** that would take funding away from Local Management Boards, the Frederick County Office of Children and Families and services for children at risk.
- **Battling budget shifts** where the state balances its budget by making the county fund highway and road maintenance, police aide, the health department and the state assessment office.
- **Advocating for tools to deal with blight and foreclosed properties, ethics reform, a ban on fracking and many other issues.**

For the Frederick County "[2017 Maryland General Assembly Legislative Wrap-up](#)," visit www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/legislative or contact Director of Government Affairs Roger Wilson at 301-600-1621 or via e-mail at rwilson@FrederickCountyMD.gov.

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